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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY MANAMA

AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: NEXP, EAGR KU

SUBJ: PROPOSED FOOD EXHIBIT

REF: (A) STATE 115994 (B) ABU DHABI 1115 (C) QATAR 0636

1. AMEMBASSY KUWAIT ADDS ITS VOICE TO RISING CHORUS OF POSTS FAVORING GULF LOCATION FOR FOOD EXHIBIT (REFTELS B AND C). KUWAITI FOOD MERCHANTS REGULARLY DEAL WITH THEIR CUPPLIERS IN PERSON OR BY LETTER AND TELEX. IT IS NOT RPT NOT NECESSARY FOR THEM TO VISIT BEIRUT TO MAKE CONTACTS AND BEIRUT LOCATION DOES NOT GENERATE MUCH ENTHUSIASM.

2. KUWAIT IMPORTED APPROX. \$170 MILLION IN FOODSTUFFS IN 1973 AND RE-EXPORTED APPROX \$31 MILLION. KUWAIT IS RELATIVELY SMALL BUT STEADY MARKET FOR US FOOD PRODUCTS. RECENT USDA AND PACIFIC NORTHWEST FOOD SALES TEAMS HERE HAS MODEST SUCCESS IN SELLING POULTRY, CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AND COOKING OIL. GOK AND LARGE COOPS BECOMING INCREASINGLY SIGNIFICANT IN TRADE AND PROSPECTS FOR INCREASED US FOOD EXPORTS ARE GOOD.

3. IF DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS GULF LOCATION SUITABLE, EMBASSY SUGGESTS KUWAIT BE CONSIDERED AS SITE FOR EXHIBIT. PREPARATIONS UNCLASSIFIED

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WOULD HAVE TO BEGIN SOON AS LOCAL HOTELS WILL LIKELY BE BOOKED

TO OVERFLOWING IN APRIL 1976.

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